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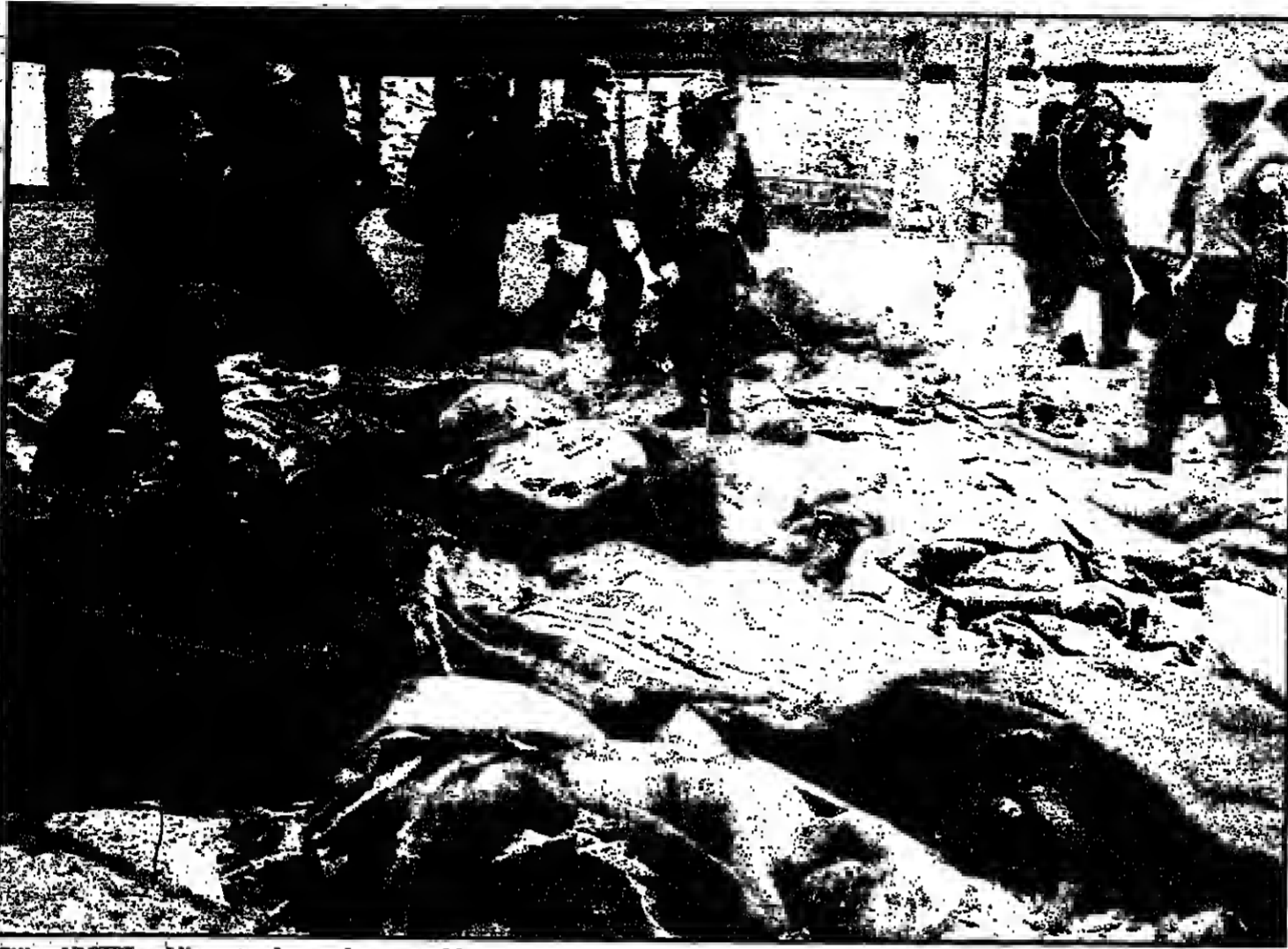
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IDF shelling kills 100 Lebanese civilians

Clinton calls for immediate cease-fire; Christopher to arrive Sunday

DAVID MAKOVSKY and HILLEL KUTTNER



Fijian UNIFIL soldiers stand over the covered bodies of victims of yesterday's IDF bombardment.

Shahak blames Hizbullah for deaths

DAVID RUDGE and ARIEH O'SULLIVAN

ABOUT 100 Lebanese civilians - among them scores of women and children - were feared dead as a result of an accidental IDF artillery barrage yesterday on a UNIFIL headquarters compound in southern Lebanon.

5 shells bring operation crashing down

ANALYSIS ARIEH O'SULLIVAN

MORE than 12,000 artillery shells were fired with surgical precision into Lebanon in the eight days of Operation Grapes of Wrath.

bombardment, before any sort of truce is reached, and opt for negotiating a diplomatic arrangement as soon as possible.

Center for Strategic and National Security. "The option is to stop firing and to start talking. Certainly, any inevitable agreement will be far worse than it would have been."

Arafat reaffirms commitment to change covenant

JON IMMANUEL

PALESTINIAN Authority President Yasser Arafat yesterday reaffirmed his commitment to change the Palestinian National Covenant.

The bulk of the meeting was devoted to the PA's efforts to root out Hamas violence, the precondition for an Israeli withdrawal from most of Hebron.

Terrorists kill 17 Greek tourists in Cairo

CAIRO (Reuters) - Terrorists thought to be Moslem militants massacred 17 Greek tourists and an Egyptian man outside a Cairo hotel yesterday.

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But, he added at a press conference after meeting with Prime Minister Shimon Peres, "I cannot guarantee the change in the covenant, and you have to respect our democracy."

Preventive Security chief Mohammed Dahlan and General Security chief Amin Hiydi, who are in charge of weeding out Islamic gunmen, provided details. They asserted, in agreement with Peres, that Iran is materially backing Hamas and Islamic Jihad against the PA and the peace process.

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The significance of the meeting at the Erez checkpoint, initiated by Peres, was increased by its occurring on one of the bloodiest days of Operation Grapes of Wrath, which Arafat has condemned. He said Arafat should return to the 1993 cease-fire line.

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# UN deprecates shelling, terrorists' use of civilians

THE UN Security Council was expected to pass a US-backed resolution last night calling for an immediate cease-fire in Lebanon and deploring yesterday's IDF shelling of Katyusha launchers near a UNIFIL position in southern Lebanon.

The resolution, which does not mention Israel, Syria, or Hizbullah by name, calls for "strict respect for the territorial integrity, sovereignty, and political independence of Lebanon." It also calls on member states to offer humanitarian assistance to the Lebanese.

UN Secretary-General Boutros Boutros-Ghali issued a statement yesterday saying he "deprecates and condemns this shelling in the strongest possible terms."

His spokesman, acknowledging that Hizbullah had fired first, said: "We were not aware that there was a Hizbullah position about 300 meters away. We are swamped with civilians in our UNIFIL positions."

About 5,200 people have taken refuge with UNIFIL in southern Lebanon, and 560 people

were in the headquarters of the Fijian battalion when the position was hit, the spokesman said. "This is a typical guerrilla tactic, to hide behind a civilian position," the spokesman added.

In the last few days, UN commanders have complained about the increasing number of air and artillery attacks close to UNIFIL positions. "The Israelis told us they had strict orders to avoid any casualties to UNIFIL and they had been using precision weapons," the spokesman said. "Several incidents that came too close to our positions were termed 'accidental' and were blamed on equipment failure."

The UN was clearly distressed that Hizbullah had used the compound as cover. But, the spokesman noted: "We are in the same position as the Lebanese government in this situation. You have people who are guerrillas who make their own rules and what [do you] say to them?"

Meanwhile, Israel is disturbed by a draft UN resolution aimed at stopping the hostilities in Lebanon and disappointed that Egypt has taken a leading role in promoting it. The draft does not mention Hizbullah's attacks on Israel.

"It is very unfair, unbalanced," said Minister Yossi Beilin, who was at the UN for sessions on public administration. "Sometimes, when you read these resolutions, you think that Israel got up one morning and decided to have an operation in Lebanon - that was the easiest place, so we decided to create suffering of innocent people on the other side," he told reporters late Wednesday, after meeting with Boutros-Ghali. "The situation, of course, is the other way around."

While Cairo's action was not surprising in light of its leadership role in the Arab League, Israeli Ambassador Gad Ya'acobi said he expected Cairo to be more "restrained," because Egypt is an object of Islamic fundamentalist terrorism and has itself taken "severe measures" to curb terror.

MARILYN HENRY  
NEW YORK

# World slams attack on UN position

WORLD reaction to yesterday's tragedy in Lebanon looked harshly on Israel's actions. King Hussein condemned Israel's attacks on Lebanon as "criminal" and demanded an immediate halt to the bombardments.

The state-run news agency Petra said Hussein told Lebanon's ambassador in Amman that Jordan "strongly condemned Israel's flagrant aggression and the criminal military operations inflicted on the brotherly Lebanese people."

In a separate move, Prime Minister Abdul-Karim Kabariti summoned Ambassador Shimon Shamir to protest the shelling, calling it a "massacre of innocent civilians."

British Prime Minister John Major said he

regretted the shelling of the UNIFIL base and called for intensive diplomatic efforts to halt hostilities in the region.

Major did not explicitly criticize Israel for the shelling. He said he had been in touch with the leaders of France, Lebanon, Israel, and the US in the search for a solution.

France said it was "stupefied" by the shelling and demanded an immediate cease-fire.

The Foreign Affairs Ministry said in a statement that such bloody attacks can only lead to a vicious circle of more "destruction and victims."

"Persuaded that there cannot be a

military solution to the current crisis, French authorities are determined to pursue their peace efforts. They demand an immediate cease-fire while awaiting an accord resulting from the initiatives being developed."

The European Commission said it deplored the deaths and called on all sides to stop military activity in the region.

"Violence can only serve the enemies of peace," the European Union executive said in a statement.

Russian Foreign Minister Yevgeny Primakov also criticized Israel, saying Moscow is very worried about the situation in Lebanon and that he was in touch with France, Lebanon, and Syria to try and find a solution.

News agencies

## Hamas promises 'sea of blood'

HAMAS yesterday vowed to drown Israel "in a sea of blood" if the IDF continues its onslaught against Hizbullah.

Izzadin Kassam, the group's military wing, said it is planning five new attacks.

"The heart of Tel Aviv will be drowned in a new sea of blood," it said in a leaflet faxed to an international news agency. "We will launch a vigorous five-prong attack that will shake Israel, whether it takes a long time or a short time."

(Renter)

# Opposition continues to support operation in Lebanon

FOLLOWING the accidental attack on a UNIFIL base, in which dozens of Lebanese civilians were killed yesterday, Likud leader Binyamin Netanyahu reaffirmed the opposition's support for Operation Grapes of Wrath.

"In his action against Hizbullah [Prime Minister Shimon] Peres enjoys the opposition's full support," Netanyahu declared.

Hizbullah, he said, "is hiding

behind the backs of civilians to perpetrate its crimes."

He argued that "the IDF is a moral army whose credo is the purity of arms, and there is no doubt that no one in the IDF intended to harm innocent civilians. IDF commanders will no doubt know how to draw the necessary conclusions from the tragedy, for which the Hizbullah is primarily responsible."

SARAH HONIG and agencies

He cautioned that "despite all the sadness we feel, Peres must see to it that this operation does not end where it started - with a situation of terror and a lack of minimal security for the North. So long as Peres acts against Hizbullah, he will have the opposition's unstinting support."

"The attacks on Lebanese civilians are serious and destruc-

tive. It is true that Hizbullah deliberately attacks our civilians, but the State of Israel is not able to permit itself to unintentionally attack civilians." Environment Minister Yossi Sarid said. "What is there to do? These are our enemies; this is how they fight; and we will never be like our enemies."

MK Ran Cohen (Meretz), a member of the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defense Committee,

said that though the responsibility for the disaster falls upon Hizbullah, that doesn't provide comfort.

In Jerusalem, about 100 Palestinian and Israeli Arab students staged a protest, chanting, "Peres, how many children have you killed today?" They argued with right-wing Israelis, but the protest ended without incident.

## CLINTON

(Continued from Page 1) Sarid said in the meeting, "It is easy to start a war, but you don't know how it will end. This is what happens when we go badly."

Yet Foreign Minister Ehd Barak insisted last night that the operation is not finished.

"I estimate that the operation will continue," Barak said. "I estimate at least a few days. But it's impossible to put a limit on it. It could take a week to 10 days."

Yet shortly after Barak's statement, the guns in Lebanon fell silent and it remains unclear how long this will last.

Minister Without Portfolio Yossi Beilin, now visiting Wash-

ington, told Israeli reporters that Jerusalem is prepared to cease its bombing campaign "without any conditions" providing that Katyushas stop falling on the Galilee.

Any formal understandings between Israel, Syria, and Lebanon would be "a bonus," Beilin added.

Just before the shelling, Beilin had met with six Arab ambassadors and explained that Israel's actions were meant solely to protect its own citizens.

Vice President Albert Gore told visiting Knesset speaker Shevah Weiss that while he felt deep pain for the bombing victims, the US-Israeli friendship can weather difficult times.

## SHELLS

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"He can't finish the operation without showing an achievement," said Shmuel Sandler, a senior research associate at Bar-Ilan University's BESA Center for Strategic Studies. He added that the IDF would now be much more careful in its war on Hizbullah.

"This was a domestically oriented operation, and I am sure what interests Peres now is the election. The longer the army is involved, the greater the chances of more blood being shed. Peres is highly concerned with Israeli casualties, so undoubtedly he will hasten his attempt to finish this war," Sandler said.

Elections notwithstanding, Pezetz said he believes Peres is hypersensitive to world opinion and likely to grab at any agreement he could arrange.

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## Why can't the IDF stop the Katyushas?

BACKGROUND

ARIEH O'SULLIVAN

DESPITE all of its bravado and state-of-the-art weapon systems, the IDF's attempt to stop Hizbullah from firing Katyushas into northern Israel is like a tiger trying to catch a mosquito in his teeth.

The IDF war machine is no match for the crude, World War II-era rocket. Not because the IDF can't track down their firing position, but because there is a virtually endless supply of Katyushas.

Iran supplies Hizbullah with the rockets via Syria. They range in caliber from 50mm. to 240mm., with the Hizbullah preferring the 122mm. size, which carries a warhead of about 10 kilograms. Each one costs between \$100 to \$300, making it the preferred weapon for Hizbullah forces.

Their point-and-fire accuracy is extremely limited, which is why they are usually fired in barrages in the target's general direction. Their top range is about 22 kilometers and they are often fired from the back of a truck. Since they only weigh about 18 kilograms each, without the tube launcher, a lone terrorist can load one on a donkey and set it up behind crevices or in undergrowth, out of the sight of high-tech IDF surveillance equipment.

During Operation Grapes of Wrath, one general said IDF spotters had seen a squad of terrorists emerge from a house, set up a Katyusha, and launch it within 30 seconds. Some are set up and launched with a timer. Once they are fired, the IDF can quickly zero in on the sight using a US-made Fire Fighter target locator. The position is logged by the computer and artillery is directed to the spot within minutes.

By then, however, the squad is often long gone and pulling out another Katyusha from the scores of arsenals hidden throughout southern Lebanon.

## Arab List threatens not to support Peres

DEMOCRATIC Arab Party MK Abdul Wahab Darawshe yesterday threatened Prime Minister Shimon Peres with the loss of Arab support if he does not end Operation Grapes of Wrath, lift the closure on the territories, and advance the peace process with the Lebanese, Palestinians, and Syrians.

"We are warning Shimon Peres that if he continues his policies and doesn't stop the attacks on Lebanon within 24 hours, we will call on the Arab voters to cast a blank ballot in the prime ministerial elections," Darawshe told a press conference for the United Arab List. "We intend to punish Shimon Peres for his policy against the Palestinian and Lebanese nations."

He called the operation in Lebanon, "the hunger and collective punishment in the territories," and the shutting down of the Islamic Aid office in Nazareth part of a policy to harm both the Arabs and the peace process.

Abdul Malek Dahmashe, No. 1 on the United Arab List, also participated in the press conference, saying that Peres's policy is weakening the Palestinian Authority and that the Israeli government is wasting its opportunity to continue the peace process. (Itim)

## Independence Day fete could be held in shelters

INDEPENDENCE Day celebrations will be held in shelters in the North line if the hostilities continue until then, Education Minister Amnon Rubinstein said this week. "I very much hope that there will be quiet in the North by then, but if not, we will organize performances in the shelters and in the places to which children have been evacuated," Rubinstein said.

Teams of volunteer performers have already been appearing in shelters all along the border, he noted, and these events will be increased for Independence Day. Haim Shapiro



Medics rush Shula Ben-Hamo yesterday to a waiting helicopter, which took her to Rambam Hospital in Haifa. She was wounded by fragments of a Katyusha that fell near the car in which she was riding in Kiryat Shmona. (Reuters)

## Kiryat Shmona woman wounded by Katyusha fragments

DAVID RUDGE

ONE woman was wounded and two other people had to be treated for shock as Hizbullah continued to rain Katyusha rockets on the Galilee yesterday.

A number of homes and other buildings, including an empty kindergarten, were badly damaged and livestock were killed in the rocket attacks.

"The residents of the North will have to be prepared to stay in the shelters for as long as they need to," Prime Minister Shimon Peres said yesterday in Tel Aviv. "There is still no way of knowing when Operation Grapes of Wrath will end."

The Katyushas began falling just before Wednesday midnight on the Galilee Panhandle. Followed a few hours later by a salvo on Western Galilee.

In the latter incident, a rocket exploded near a house, igniting cooking gas cylinders which set the building ablaze. The owner, who was sleeping in the security room, escaped unhurt. His wife and children had left the area the day before.

The fire department extinguished the blaze.

The same rocket blew out windows in a neighboring house and a young man there was taken by ambulance to Nahariya Government Hospital for treatment for shock.

Later in the day, after people were allowed to leave bomb shelters to purchase essential items and get a breath of air, Hizbullah struck again with a spate of salvos in the Galilee Panhandle. One Katyusha scored a direct hit on an apartment building in Kiryat Shmona, causing extensive damage. One person was treated for shock.

Another rocket exploded near a moving car, blasting out the windows and hitting a local woman passenger, Shula Ben-Hamo, 39, in the face and neck with fragments.

Shopkeeper Zion Levy, who was driving the car, said the woman had made purchases at his store and then asked him to drive her home, because she was frightened of the rocket attacks.

"I closed the store and was driving her home when a Katyusha exploded about 30 or 40

meters away and blew out all the windows. She was covered with glass," said Levy.

Levy drove her to the Magen David Adom emergency ward, where she was treated and later evacuated to Haifa's Rambam Hospital.

The barrage continued with several more salvos in the space of less than an hour. One rocket hit a chicken coop, killing thousands of chickens but causing no human casualties.

The bombardment continued in the afternoon as Foreign Minister Ehud Barak visited the region with a group of ambassadors and foreign diplomats. Several rockets fell in the region as journalists waited outside the Kiryat Shmona Municipality for Barak's arrival. As he was being interviewed, another two rockets exploded nearby. No one was hurt.

In one of the attacks, a building and a kindergarten were hit and badly damaged, although both were empty at the time.

As darkness fell, residents remaining in confrontation line towns and communities prepared to spend yet another night in bomb shelters and security rooms, with no sign of a let-up in Hizbullah's rocket attacks.

## Damage to North so far: NIS 70m.

DIRECT and indirect damage to the North during the first week of Operation Grapes of Wrath has been estimated at some NIS 70 million, tax authorities announced yesterday.

Some NIS 20m. in direct damage was caused to about 1,100 structures, including apartments in Kiryat Shmona and Nahariya, public buildings, and factories. Another NIS 3m. in direct damage was caused to agriculture.

The remainder of the damage caused by daily Katyusha strikes — some NIS 50m. — was the indirect loss of production and income caused to various

branches. In response, Tax

Commissioner Doron Levy decided to double the ceiling on advances on compensation paid by the government for indirect damage to businesses to NIS 4,000. The advance does not cover wages, which are to be paid at the beginning of May.

Levy also issued a further extension of the filing time for tax payments to April 30. Other payments, including assessments and fines, have been suspended until May 15.

Confrontation line residents now have until May 31 to file their income tax returns. (Itim)

## Government to fund evacuated northern residents' lodgings

DAVID RUDGE and Jerusalem Post Staff

THE government has budgeted NIS 3 million to fund the continued stay of evacuated residents of the North in hotels throughout the country, the Tourism Ministry has announced.

As of Tuesday some 2,000 residents from the region had been lodged in approximately 500 hotel rooms provided by the Hotel Association at a symbolic nightly rate. Thousands more are currently awaiting placement in additional hotel rooms and the ministry has set up a task force to find places for them in hotels and kibbutz guest houses.

Kiryat Shmona Municipality worker Avraham Buzaglo matches up families wishing to leave the town and places that are available.

"According to our estimates there are about 7,000 to 8,000 people still in Kiryat Shmona, many of whom have no desire to leave whatsoever, but some do and we have problems now in finding places for those who want to get away for a while," Buzaglo said.

"We now have on our lists 183

families, some of them with many children, and we are looking for places or institutions willing and able to take them in so they can get away for a while," he said.

"We have received hundreds of offers from families throughout the country willing to host residents of Kiryat Shmona, which is very heartwarming. Unfortunately they don't always have the space or ability to take in large families."

"We have received a lot of help from the IDF, the Jewish Agency, hotels, kibbutzim, and places that have been found through the auspices of the director-general of the Prime Minister's Office. But we still need more places for the bigger families and those families who want to be together and for others who have been staying in places like youth hostels but who are now having to move out because the space is required."

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# Reversal of priorities

**HENRY** Kissinger opens his first book on international politics with the observation: "Those ages which in retrospect seem most peaceful were least in search of peace. Those whose quest for it seems tending appear least able to achieve tranquility."

Kissinger was writing about European politics. But his analysis could easily be applied to Israel's situation.

Why has the Labor government, after all its conciliatory policies toward Syria, had to initiate two major military operations in Lebanon? When addressing the Lebanon problem, Prime Minister Peres prefers to stress the role of Iran (over which he has no control) rather than that of Syria (with which he has been negotiating).

Yet Syria is the critical factor controlling the situation on the ground today.

If Syria wanted to curb Hizbullah but Iran wanted to continue attacking Israel, Hizbullah's attacks would end. Indeed, Syria has overseen the disarming of every Lebanese militia - with the exception of Hizbullah.

And if Iran wanted to curb Hizbullah but Syria wanted the attacks to continue, the attacks would continue.

For Syria, Hizbullah terrorism has one central purpose.

Since Damascus has no real military option on the Golan Heights, the main instrument for forcing a political settlement, Israel, on Syrian terms, is terrorism against Israeli soldiers in the security zone and against Israeli civilians in the north.

The critical error Israel has made in negotiating with Syria has been its accepting the rules of the game President Assad has established for negotiations: that terrorism is a legitimate instrument of diplomacy for winning Israeli concessions.

Even today Syria's preference is to restore the Operation Accountability understandings that only temporarily limited terrorism to the security zone, but did not rule it out entirely.

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this situation.

First, the Peres government can say that the problem of Hizbullah will only be solved in the long term in the context of a larger political settlement with Syria.

In other words, Israel hands over the Golan and obtains from Syria both a formal peace and, hopefully, an end to Hizbullah terrorism. According to this scenario, peace is the objective, and security a possible by-product.

Would this work? For Assad, terrorism would still remain in principle a legitimate means of obtaining Syrian diplomatic goals.

With Turkey, the Syrian leader uses PKK terrorism to obtain more water from the Euphrates

on changing Assad's rules. Israel must reject the idea that Hizbullah terrorism is a legitimate part of the negotiating process. Instead, Assad must be given a clear choice: If he wants good relations with the West, his terrorism must be halted; if he wants to maintain the terrorism option, he risks facing the same fate as Iran and other rogue states - containment, and even economic sanctions.

Unless Syria is reformed before the peace process advances, any understandings reached at the end of Operation Grapes of Wrath will fall apart.

Syria will permit Hizbullah to rebuild its infrastructure in Lebanon. And should the negotiations deadlock on the question of normalization or Israeli early-warning stations, Katyushas will again fly into Kiryat Shmona.

To obtain this change regarding Syria, Israel needn't go to war with Assad; it needs to use its international diplomatic influence correctly.

Israel's most stable peace relationships - with Egypt and Jordan - were not negotiated while Israelis were under fire or facing a terrorist threat. Terrorism was not part of the negotiations. Terrorism cannot be part of the Syrian-Israeli peace process either.

But to bring about this change, Israel will have to reverse its priorities. It cannot obtain security by merely obtaining a formal peace; it must first obtain security. Then peace can follow.

Kissinger's warning needs to be seriously considered: "Whenever peace... has been the primary objective of a power or a group of powers, the international system has been at the mercy of the most ruthless member. Whenever the international order has acknowledged that certain principles could not be compromised, even for the sake of peace, stability based on an equilibrium of forces was at least conceivable."

As Henry Kissinger warned, peace tends to elude those who pursue it as a primary objective

River. Turkey and Syria have diplomatic relations and a November 1993 agreement against terrorism. Syria simply violates its agreements, while Turkey continues to fight Kurdish terrorists from northern Syria.

Assad also uses terrorism against Jordan. In 1994-95, there were 164 infiltration attempts from Syrian territory across the Jordanian border.

Syria and Jordan also have diplomatic relations. They have formal peace - but it is peace without security.

After making peace with Israel, why shouldn't Assad resume terrorism by proxy to obtain more water from the Banyas River or from Lake Kinneret? After all, the quality of any peace between Israel and the Arab states surely cannot be superior to the peace that exists among the Arab states themselves.

A better option would be based on a policy that would first insist

THERE ARE two basic options in

# Wanted: A spin doctor

**EVEN** before Operation Grapes of Wrath began, it was clear that the campaign would eventually end not with the physical destruction of Hizbullah, but with some kind of negotiated agreement.

The major question was whether Israel's bargaining position would be strong enough to produce a substantially better situation than that preceding the start of the operation, or whether we would have to settle for some arrangement which put a temporary lid on the cycle of violence but left the equation on the northern border essentially unchanged.

The strategy to achieve a positive outcome is based on military force, but it contains a built-in contradiction.

On the one hand, Israel must apply pressure on the Lebanese population to get the Lebanese government to pressure the Syrian government, with American encouragement, to rein in Hizbullah.

On the other hand, Israel must not appear to be using force so ruthlessly, gratuitously or disproportionately that it will be required by nonmilitary considerations to stop before the objective is accomplished.

Given this contradiction, the success of the strategy depends on the continuing availability of time and credible escalation threats. These will be available only if the political context remains permissive as the operation unfolds.

Consequently information, and especially TV images, are not just a subordinate adjunct to the military effort, they are indeed the crucial factor in determining whether or not the campaign achieves its objectives.

There is some indication that the centrality of information was recognized and, perhaps for the first time, factored into the planning of the campaign. This, together with the government's demonstrated willingness to try diplomacy first, explains why a tolerant political environment has persisted longer than many expected it would.

Nevertheless, the contradiction inherent in the use of force remains the Achilles' heel of this operation (and perhaps others in the future), and problems in the information effort need to be

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addressed if it is to register anything more than minor and short-lived gains. The foremost problem is one of coordination.

The day has long since passed when a democratic country like Israel could really manage to control the flow of war news. The development and proliferation of communications technologies mean that events considered important by the media will be reported, especially when the battlefield is nearby and accessible from the other side.

Yet it is possible to ensure a minimal degree of consistency in support of the political objective.

A politically sensitive military operation needs information coordination at the highest level

or at least to minimize the damage of unforeseeable developments.

INFORMATION is inevitably aimed at multiple audiences, and the appropriate messages in each instance are not necessarily consistent with one another.

To take only the most obvious example, the current campaign requires Israel to project an image of strength and determination, not only to the Israeli public, but also to the Lebanese public and Lebanese and Syrian leaders, whose decisions Israeli power is meant to influence; in the latter case, it may even be useful to hint at some degree of irresponsibility, if not outright instability.

But Israel also needs to cultivate an entirely different image - of sensitivity and self-restraint - if it is to ward off pressure to stop before an acceptable outcome is in reach, and to minimize other costs, such as alienation of those Arab and Moslem countries with whom relations have just begun to improve. It needs to show some vulnerability to justify the cam-

paign, but not so much that it encourages the adversary to persist and frightens off tourists and foreign investors.

It is not possible to fashion an information strategy that resolves all these contradictions and satisfies every need. And it is neither possible nor desirable to twist the truth. But we can determine priorities among competing needs and make decisions concerning the timing and content of both initiatives and responses to the inevitable accidents of war, like yesterday's shelling of a UNIFIL compound, killing scores of Lebanese civilians and UN peacekeepers.

At the very least, better coordination might make it possible to avoid a situation in which the media carry features about the firepower of the Artillery Corps on the same day they are reporting the bombing of a Lebanese ambulance.

A wide variety of organizations and institutions are normally involved in information work - the Government Press Office, the Foreign Ministry, the spokesmen and foreign liaison offices of other ministries, and the chief censor, as well as the IDF Spokesman's Office - and however qualified and dedicated the individuals working in them may be, their perspectives are necessarily limited.

A politically sensitive military operation demands a degree of coordination which cannot be left to any of these structures, not even the IDF, whose operational and/or security considerations may well be perfectly valid in their own right, but still fail to conform to the larger strategic requirements of the campaign.

Effective coordination can only happen at the very top of the decision-making structure, where the broadest political perspective prevails.

Israel does not need a Ministry of Information. But when it wages a campaign like Grapes of Wrath, it needs an information coordinator who can act with the direct guidance and backing of the prime minister himself.

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# The never-ending story

STEWART WEISS

**Y**OU might walk past it a thousand times - even tread directly upon it - and yet you would probably never take note of it. Amid the silent hills and grassy quietude of Mt. Herzl, a gentle spring wind blows over the grave of one Baruch Shapiro. Barely an echo of his name remains.

But the story of Baruch Shapiro, now itself buried by the years, begs to be retold. For his story mirrors the struggle of a whole people, encapsulating what it means to live - and die - as a proud Jew in the modern State of Israel.

Baruch was the last remaining son of Chaim Shapiro, native of Cracow and survivor of Auschwitz. By a combination of faith, strength, and luck, Chaim lived through the unspeakable hell of the death camp, emerging from it along with his son Baruch.

Chaim's wife and five other sons were less fortunate. They perished together with the multitudes of Jews we now refer to as the Six Million.

In a pitiful state, confused and shattered, father and son came here, along with thousands of other remnants of the ovens, to build a new life and restore hope. But their dream of piecing together a new beginning would have to be delayed.

Arriving on the shores of Palestine, young Baruch - now 18 years old - was handed a gun and a uniform, and drafted into what would become the Israel Defense Forces. There were those who planned to finish what the Nazis had begun, and a new war was about to erupt.

Chaim watched his son go off to war along with the other young men, and he tried to put his fears and foreboding out of his mind, busying himself with the difficult task of hewing out a place in the gritty new country now battling for its first breaths of air.

It was in the latter stages of the

War of Independence that Baruch Shapiro fell, on the road to Jerusalem, defending the capital. He had distinguished himself throughout the war, and died guarding his post from enemy advance.

When a young captain informed Chaim of the death of his son, the father uttered not a word. He simply nodded silently and folded the official notification over and over in his hand.

Many hundreds of friends and comrades came to Baruch's funeral. The chief of staff was also there, for he had heard of the young man's distinguished service in his unit.

An overwhelming sense of loss

permeated the day, for those assembled knew of the unique circumstances of the Shapiro family and wished to demonstrate their solidarity with the aging father whose family line had come to a sudden, tragic end.

DURING the brief ceremony, Chaim remained silent. He listened impassively as the appropriate Psalms and prayers were recited - and as Baruch's commanding officer eulogized him as an exemplary soldier.

But when the flag-draped body was lowered into the grave, Chaim Shapiro suddenly began to sing, quietly at first, then more loudly.

He sang "Am Yisrael Hai" over and over. Then he began to dance, grabbing some of Baruch's friends and pulling them into a

ued, pointing at the grave, "his son is different."

"Baruch lived to walk upon the holy earth of Eretz Yisrael, and he died defending Jerusalem - Jerusalem! - a place we never dreamed we would see in our lifetimes. Baruch gave his life for all the people of Israel, so they could be free, and safe, and independent."

"That is not the waste of a life. It is the celebration of a life - and that is why I sing today, as I say shalom to my son. And that is why all of you should sing with me."

With that Chaim Shapiro began to sing "Am Yisrael Hai" once more, and the assembled throng began to join in, until every voice in the cemetery was raised in a surrealistic song of sadness and joy, the tears of each emotion mingled on every face.

For a long time they sang thus together, until the hills of Jerusalem themselves seemed to be joining in the chorus.

You might walk past the grave of Baruch Shapiro a thousand times - even tread directly upon it - and probably take no notice. A gentle wind blows on the grave, and the story of Baruch Shapiro is no more than a fading memory, a distant echo.

But the epic story of the Jewish people goes on, unabated. It is a story written in the blood of our young men and women, on pages of pain and heroism, engraved in stone with quills of iron will.

That story describes a profound stoicism and suffering, one that that cannot be contained. It must inevitably burst out into song and dance, until we all affirm: *Am Yisrael Hai.*

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At his son's burial, the old man began to sing and dance. People looked on in dismay, sure he had lost his mind

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# NEWS IN FOCUS

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## Riding out the storm

**In the face of adversity, some gritty northerners are staying put, Abraham Rabinovich reports**

**I**n a landscape speckled with more cows than humans this week, the northern Galilee was an easy match for Switzerland in its stunning beauty — a picture postcard of tranquility, smudged only by an occasional mushrooming of dirty gray smoke followed by an unforgiving whump.

Despite the continuing explosion of Katyushas, angst had departed the shelters of Kiryat Shmona along with most of the town's residents, leaving behind for the most part a calm readiness to ride out the storm as long as it takes.

"I don't mind sitting down here a month or whatever as long as this operation ends the Katyushas," said Ya'acov Azarza, a 45-year-old truck driver in a public shelter. "We just don't want to have to do this every few weeks."

It was 11 p.m. and a dozen people, mostly children, were lying in triple-tiered bunks on the darkened periphery of the shelter whose homey atmosphere contrasted sharply with that of many other shelters in town. A few teenaged girls and mothers were conversing in the stairwell outside, so as not to disturb the sleepers. There were party-like decorations and posters on the wall which the children had put up during the week with girl soldiers who make the rounds of the shelters every day. In one corner, in a pool of light, four men, including Azarza, sat at a bridge table watching television and eating pistachio nuts out of a bowl in the center. They looked like they might have been sitting in a village cafe.

"We're all neighbors and we go to the same synagogue," said Ya'acov Malka. "Down here we're like one family. Better than family."

The men had all immigrated from Morocco more than 40 years ago, part of the mass of immigrants with which the government had filled in the map of the country with new towns and border settlements.

The decision of Azarza and the others to remain in Kiryat Shmona when three quar-



Although most children have been evacuated from their northern homes, some have remained, spending most of their time in bomb shelters. (Israel Sun/A. Shapiro)

ters of the population had chosen to be evacuated reflected not passiveness but rootedness. This is our home, they said. It was clear it was the IDF's vigorous actions in Lebanon that fed their morale. A punch on the nose is much more endurable if the other guy is getting even worse lumps.

Earlier in the evening, in another part of the ghost-like town, a visitor searching futilely for an inhabited shelter spotted Shlomo. In another context, Shlomo was not a type you would choose to meet on a darkened street.

He said he knew of a shelter with children that could be visited, but first he wanted to show a building down the street, which had been holed that day by a Katyusha. Asked what he did for a living he dodged the question a couple of times

and then said, somewhat delicately, "I'm an ex." His T-shirt bore a motto proclaiming him to be a battler against drugs. From a police jeep loudspeaker came a warning to residents to get back into shelters. As the jeep drove by, Shlomo waved to the men inside who appeared to know him.

His mother and brothers had evacuated to Katzrin on the Golan Heights and he had gone there too for a day but decided to return. "There's something special about this place," he said. "I prefer being here." As he talked it became evident that he enjoyed the social acceptance and camaraderie that came with being part of a group under fire.

The small shelter he led the way to was occupied by one family, the Timots, who had managed to give it a cheery look with

decorations and a small cooking corner. There were three daughters aged three to 14. Except for one day they had gone off to family in Hazor, the children had been in the shelter continuously for five days.

Once a day, their parents took them one at a time for a quick shower at home and then back again. Otherwise they were not permitted to venture outside the shelter exit. "We could have sent them away but I just can't bear to be without them," said Dalia Timot. She too expressed readiness to stay as long as necessary if Operation Grapes of Wrath would bring an end to the Katyushas. The children said they were bored but seemed content enough. There was television and games and the daily visits by the girl soldiers. And they were with their parents.

At Kiryat Shmona's Stress Prevention Center, which has long experience in dealing with Katyusha-invoked syndromes, psychologist Yehuda Shacham endorsed the Timots' decision to stay together.

"During Operation Accountability in 1993, the official recommendation was to evacuate the children," he said. "As a result of our studies we subsequently recommended that if there is to be evacuation it is best that the whole family be evacuated." This, he said, was in keeping with findings by Anna Freud and others that children who remained with their families in London during the Blitz had fewer psychological scars afterwards than children who had been evacuated to the country.

ALTHOUGH PUBLIC attention has been

focused almost exclusively on Kiryat Shmona since the operation began, dozens of other communities along the border have had Katyushas exploding on their doorsteps in the past week. At kibbutzim, long-standing emergency plans were smoothly implemented.

"Last Friday at 6 p.m.," says Kibbutz Sasa Secretary Rachel Weisel, "I announced that the social club would be closed because of the emergency and I recommended that people coming in the dining room for the Shabbat meal eat quickly and not hang around. We didn't want a lot of people concentrated in one place. I had just finished the broadcast and gone home when a Katyusha hit near some of the apartments, breaking windows."

The kibbutz children were sent off for two days in "air out" but had now returned and would resume studies at kibbutzim out of Katyusha range to which they would be bused by their teachers every day.

At Moshav Amirim, whose homes lie 200 meters from the border, five rockets had exploded nearby since the operation began but these seemed to be secondary nuisances in a general atmosphere of malaise. Settled by immigrants from Morocco's Atlas Mountains in the 1950s, the remote farming community has never found its economic feet. It has also never recovered emotionally from the ambush of its school bus in 1972 by infiltrators who killed eight children and four adults aboard. Although located on a beautiful site, there was a general atmosphere of neglect and despondency about the place.

"Security isn't our problem," said Anaram Biton. "Making a living is our problem."

His neighbor and cousin, Ita Biton, whose husband was killed and son wounded in the bus ambush, appeared still to be haunted by that trauma after a quarter century. When she objected to the idea of the moshav children being evacuated it was on the grounds that the roads weren't safe. "What if a Katyusha hits the bus?" she asked.

Sitting on a stone wall between their houses, they took solace in what they could — egg prices this year were good, there was no drug problem in the village, and as for their health, it could be worse.

The concentration of social resources and public attention on Kiryat Shmona in times of emergency highlights the neglected nature of communities like Amirim which were placed like sentinels along the border and then largely forgotten. After the Katyushas stop falling these communities will still need to be shown the light at the end of the tunnel.

## Hizbullah remains resilient while Israel contemplates next move

**E**ight days and more than 1,000 air sorties later, the prime question is how badly has Israel hurt Hizbullah? IDF intelligence sources don't have to think long about that one. They say the Shi'ite organization has hardly been scratched.

"Hizbullah is not panicking," a military source says. "They may have lost a post here and there, but they have simply moved to other places."

Military sources say that no more than 20 Hizbullah members have been killed during the Israeli bombing raids. Hizbullah acknowledges only one fatality.

Somehow, the sources say, the IDF attacked Hizbullah headquarters and outposts while they were empty. So, in the first raid of Hizbullah headquarters in south Beirut last week, the Israeli Air Force reported accurate hits of the offices, but nobody was inside. The same was true in Israeli

attacks of other Hizbullah commands, which have included communications centers, broadcasting stations, and offices. The raids, the sources say, have not hurt Hizbullah's chain of command or its ability to fire as many as 70 Katyushas a day toward Israel.

"Hizbullah is satisfied by the fact that it can launch Katyushas," a military source who did not want to be further identified, says. "It hasn't been defeated yet. They don't feel they're under pressure."

Senior military officers say hurting Hizbullah has not been the goal of Operation Grapes of Wrath. Rather, the aim has been to create havoc in Lebanon to force Syria to restrain Hizbullah from firing rockets toward Israel.

"If we could put an end to the Katyushas with military means, we would happily do so," a military source says. "So far, we have

been unable to do it. We have placed very strict limits on the use of force."

**BUT QUIETLY**, some IDF sources acknowledge a second reason: Israel doesn't want to provoke a terrorist offensive by Hizbullah.

"We're walking a very narrow line here," says Martin Kramer, director of Tel Aviv University's Dayan Center for Middle East Studies and a leading expert on Hizbullah. "Israel is conducting an operation in such a way that Hizbullah leaders are not targeted and that there are not many Hizbullah casualties."

Over the years, Israel has

learned that Hizbullah vengeance exacts a high price. In 1992, Israel assassinated a leading Hizbullah official, Abbas Musawi; months later, the Israeli Embassy in Buenos Aires was bombed, an operation attributed to Hizbullah.

Two years later, an Israeli raid of a Hizbullah training camp resulted in the deaths of close to 50 Shi'ite trainees. Soon after, another bomb leveled the office tower that held the Jewish community offices in Buenos Aires. More than 100 people were killed.

Today, Hizbullah is once again raising the possibility of renewed terrorist attacks against Israeli

and Jewish installations abroad. "We have to say that the Hizbullah threat has to be taken seriously," a senior intelligence officer says. "We have seen that they carry out their threats."

Hizbullah, with an estimated 5,000 to 10,000 fighters, has often allowed other groups to take credit for attacks on Israel. Intelligence sources say the group has plenty of terrorist allies, including Hamas, Palestinian rejectionist groups, and the PKK, the Kurdish and-Turkish guerrillas.

**IN ALL** of these relationships, Hizbullah is the senior partner, often supplying arms and

Katyushas to ensure that Israel sustains attacks on its northern communities while the Shi'ite group can disclaim responsibility.

Some IDF sources are concerned that Hizbullah will seek to encourage the PKK to coordinate attacks on Israeli installations. This, in reaction to what Turkish military sources say have been Israeli Air Force bombings of PKK bases in the Bekaa Valley. The raids on the PKK, whose bases are about a kilometer away from Hizbullah installations, were part of the new security cooperation agreement between Jerusalem and Ankara, Turkish sources say.

Already, the Israeli Embassy in Ankara is on high alert and special precautions have been introduced to protect the life of Ambassador Zvi al-Peleg.


IDF officers acknowledge that so far they remain short of their

### Despite continuous IDF pounding of the terrorist organization, army sources tell Steve Rodan that the group has hardly been scratched

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# The people who live 'outside of history'

In central and eastern Europe, persecution of Gypsies - as Romanies are pejoratively known - shows no sign of abating, Tom Gross reports

**N**o Gypsies allowed!" Due to bad experiences in the past we do not serve Gypsies.

Change the word "Gypsy" to "Jew" and we could be in 1930s Germany. But it is in the Czech Republic of the 1990s that such signs mark the entrance to some bars and restaurants.

In Budapest, Hungary, the graffiti on a wall close by a branch of McDonalds reads "Death to the Animal Gypsies." On a nearby street corner, teenagers spend their Saturday afternoon loitering around on the sidewalk, listening to a music cassette with blatantly racist lyrics. The name of the band: "Gypsy-free zone."

Since the collapse of eastern Europe's communist dictatorships six years ago, and the ensuing rise of far-right groups throughout Europe, the Romanies (or Roma) - whom English-speakers more commonly call "Gypsies," a derogatory term associated with words such as "to gyp," meaning to cheat, and derived from the incorrect belief that Romanies originally came from Egypt - have been subject not only to a marked rise in verbal abuse, but to an increasing number of horrific physical attacks.

In Romania, entire Romany settlements have been touched. In one incident in Italy, Romany children were injured by bombs planted in children's books and dolls handed to them by a passing motorist. In Austria last year, a bomb killed four Romanies.

Even the former Czechoslovakia, with its relatively liberal reputation and traditions, has been far from immune. According to a Czech human rights group, the Tolerance Foundation, over 20 Romanies have been killed there since 1990, and many others injured.

But despite the gruesome nature of many of these incidents - such as the strangling to death with a wire cable in October 1991 of a six-year-old Romany boy in a school playground - they are largely unreported in the international media and ignored by Czech politicians, who are under very little public pressure to take a stand.

Opinion polls reveal that only six percent of Czechs think more attention should be paid to Romany rights. In contrast, almost half the population think special laws specifically targeting Romanies should be introduced, while 37% support skin-

head violence against them and 40% believe they should be deported or isolated in ghettos.

In the opinion of Josef Banom of the Czech Democratic Union of Romanies, "Only the Nazi era has been worse for Romanies in this region."

According to Gilad Margalit, an Israeli expert on Romanies: "During the communist era the volcanic-like anti-Romany hatred was kept under the carpet by the communists. Now that the carpet has been removed the volcano has erupted."

In one particularly chilling incident, a 17-year-old contestant hoping to be crowned Miss Czech and Slovak Republics, received spontaneous applause from the beauty pageant's studio audience when she announced that her ambition was to become a lawyer so she could help "cleanse" her hometown of Romanies. The contest host responded in front of a TV audience of millions by calling her "a very brave girl" and telling her: "We need that sort of lawyer."

IN THE course of European history, the Romanies have suffered persecutions second only to the Jews.

In 17th-century Bohemia and Moravia their bodies were hung along borders to discourage others from entering. In 1725, Prussia decreed Romanies were "vermin" that could be hanged without trial. Until the middle of the 19th century, they were frequently enslaved in what is now Romania. And an estimated 200,000 to 220,000 Romanies were murdered by the Nazis.

Today, with few Jews left in central and eastern Europe - where two-thirds of Europe's estimated 8-8 trillion Romanies live - they have become the principal target for many nationalists in this region. Yet their plight is still almost completely ignored by the outside world, and virtually the only non-Romanies to speak out on their behalf have been people of Jewish origin (see box).

Romanies make easy targets. They have not been able to form an effective lobby group and they have no country to speak out on their behalf. There is a history of failure to unite in an organized way around one group or leader - the nature of Romany society is to cluster around a family, a clan or a region. (In the Czech Republic for example there are over 40 rival Romany organiza-



Fabled, feared, romanticized and reviled, the Romanies are perhaps Europe's least understood people. (Isabel Fonseca from her book "Bury My Heart at the Roots")

tions.) They have been described as a people who live "outside of history."

Many Westerners still think of "gypsies" in terms of crude stereotypes - as thieving vagrants, fortune-tellers or picturesque figures out of Bizet's *Carmen*. In fact the Romanies are a distinct people who have preserved their own language and culture since migrating to Europe from India in the 10th century. And the vast majority live in permanent homes like anyone else.

YET AS late as 1958, an entry in the *Encyclopaedia Britannica* stated that "Gypsies have the mental image of a child of 10... have never accomplished anything... [are] quarrelsome, quick to anger... [and] unthinkably cruel." Even today, despite the fact they are the largest stateless minority in Europe, there is still no entry for Romanies in the section charting the movement of peoples in the *Times Atlas of World History*.

It is indicative of the essentially racist nature of the prejudice against Romanies that Czechs don't speak of "travelers" or "nomads" - 85 percent of the 700,000 Romanies in the Czech and Slovak Republics have led a settled lifestyle for the past 350 years - but of "blacks" (Romanies) and "whites."

Prejudice against Romanies is found not just among the general population, but amongst people in positions of authority. "They don't use bathrooms," says Jirina Vankova, who heads a Prague housing department. "They urinate and defecate all over the buildings. They don't throw away their garbage. They cause unbelievable dirt. From about 100 Gypsy families, five are OK."

NO ONE wants to employ us," says Radka, a soft-voiced, raven-haired Prague Romany. "The Czech Republic is the success story of the former Eastern bloc - national unemployment is only 3%. You can

see many advertisements looking for a salesgirl, but God help you if you are a Gypsy-girl."

Radka's youngest brother, eight-year-old Geza, says he wants to be a doctor when he grows up. But his chances are slim. Like 80% of Romany children in Prague schools, Geza has been classified as mentally dysfunctional and placed in a special school for the mentally backward. But even Geza's teacher admits he is no less bright than other Czech children of his age.

Geza is a victim of a system in which psychologists routinely place Romany children in these special schools at the age of five, usually merely because they lack Czech language skills.

"When a psychologist sees the brown face and black eyes of a Romany, the child is automatically sent to a special school," says Vladimir Olah, a Romany activist in Prague. "They are thus sealed into a lower-class future before they have even had a chance to prove them-

selves."

Eva Vondrakova, a psychologist who has worked for the Czech Ministry of Education, admits: "It's true that we make the tests culturally biased."

"Romany children see nothing but books without a single brown face in them," says Mileva Hubschmannova, professor of Romany studies at Prague's Charles University. "They hear no Romany songs and read no Romany literature."

Such is the hostility of some teachers, that many Romany parents often refuse to send their children to school altogether, resulting in their further alienation from Czech society.

The opinions of President Vaclav Havel, the internationally acclaimed playwright and humanist who commands worldwide respect, carry little weight among his own people when it comes to Romanies. Havel has been almost a lone voice among Czech politicians and commentators in condemning anti-Romany practices. He has said that the notices on pub doors and public swimming pools stating Romanies are not welcome "bear a striking resemblance to the anti-Jewish instructions under the Nazis."

His remarks, and other criticisms of Czech treatment of Romanies, such as a highly critical 154-page report issued by the New York-based human rights group, Helsinki Watch, have been ignored by the rest of the Czech authorities.

## Jewish support from around the world

**T**HE Romanies have not been successful in organizing themselves properly, and the international community has traditionally shown a lack of concern for their plight. But a number of Jews have unofficially taken it upon themselves to help them and to document their suffering.

Jews have of course long been active in the fight for equal rights for other discriminated groups, such as blacks in the US and South Africa. But in this case there is an additional motivation: Hitler linked Jews to Romanies in targeting both for extermination.

Although Nazi policies to Romanies were inconsistent - some types were to be annihilated while others were spared death, as Prof. Yehuda Bauer at Yad Vashem and other historians have pointed out - there is evidence to show that eventually a policy of total extermination of Romanies may have been pursued as well.

Almost all the leading writers on the Romany genocide and persecution have been Jewish: the late Miriam Novitch in Israel; Ben Sijes in Holland; Sylvia Steinmetz in Austria; Israeli-born Yaron Matras in Germany; and Donald Kenrick in Britain.

Jewish philanthropists such as Dutch-born Lau Mazeril and Hungarian-born George Soros have established foundations to help Romanies on a worldwide scale.

There are also many Jews who have helped Romanies on a local scale. Jewish people feel a closeness because both are victims," says Dr. Kenrick, author of the groundbreaking *Destiny of Europe's Gypsies* and of the newly-published *Gypsies under the Swastika*.

Other prominent Jewish personalities, such as Nazi-hunter Simon Wiesenthal, have recently made outspoken statements on behalf of Romanies; in the US, Hungarian-born Jew, Rep. Tom Lantos of California told an official congressional hearing on Romanies (the first of its kind), which he had helped to organize, "I think it can be said without exaggeration that [such] the plight of Romanies is the disgrace of Europe."

In the US, Jewish help for Romanies was formalized in 1991 by the establishment of the Romany-Jewish Alliance.

There are numerous other examples of Jews helping Romanies on a local level. So much so that such efforts and their common suffering have resulted in many Romanies holding a special place for Jewish people in their hearts. Romanies describe all non-Romanies as "gajde," a derogatory term similar to "goyim," but Jews are now called by a less derogatory term, "bibol-do," roughly translated as "the unbaptized."

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# Oklahoma tragedy unites Jews, Christians

Carol Rushton reports on the important contribution the local Jewish community played in the rescue and rebuilding efforts

ON Wednesday, April 19, 1995, people in Oklahoma City woke up as usual. They got up, dressed, ate breakfast. Husbands kissed wives goodbye before leaving for the day; children left for school. Employees of the downtown Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building arrived for work. Parents dropped off their kids at the day-care center in the building before going on to their various jobs. Secretaries answered phones, managers held meetings.

At 9:02 a.m., an enormous car bomb shattered their reality, changing their lives forever.

Tragedies either split people apart or bring them together, making the ties between them stronger than ever. For the Jewish and Christian communities of Oklahoma City, the latter seems to be the case, according to David Packman, rabbi of the city's Reform Temple B'nai Israel.

"Relations between the two communities were never bad," Rabbi Packman said. "But the bombing has brought everyone a lot closer together."

"There is a tremendous sense of cooperation between the two groups that wasn't there before, which is a positive outcome of the tragedy. People also have much more civic pride in the city than they had previously."

Although no Jews were killed or injured in the bombing, the Jewish community in the city — which numbers about 2,500 — was at the forefront of the relief effort. Moshe Tal, 45, an Israeli who now runs a chemical business in Oklahoma City, and has lived in the US since 1971, was at the time chairman of the Bricktown Association, a non-profit federation of merchants from the downtown area.

He organized area businesses,

organized."

Not only was Tal at the forefront of the food drive, he also helped to coordinate the overall volunteer effort. "We took over the Myriad Convention Center, which is huge, and brought in military beds and showers so the rescue workers would have somewhere to sleep and freshen up."

"We even had a pharmacy and Jacuzzi," Edie Roodman from the Jewish Federation was in charge of dispatching the volunteers.

"Many of the volunteers would work 18-hour days," Tal said. "We would literally have to pull them away and make them rest. I didn't go home for two weeks."

A restaurant convention was taking place at the Myriad when the bombing occurred, and the vendors agreed to leave their equipment for the local restaurants to use.

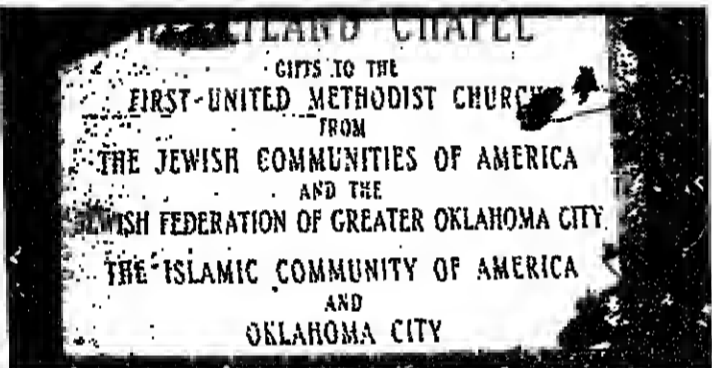
"We also worked closely with Larry Jones (an Oklahoma City Christian minister) and his Feed the Children organization," Moshe said. "The help we received from everyone was overwhelming. We learned that Oklahomans are very warm-hearted people. I felt like I was in Israel."

One of the hardest moments for Tal was when he went to the notification center with some cookies for those waiting for news about family members. "One little girl asked if she could have a chocolate chip cookie, and I of course said yes," Moshe said. "Then she said, 'Can I have another one for my daddy? It's his favorite cookie.'" His body was found two days later.

The local Jewish community was also the first to respond with financial help. Four downtown area churches were damaged in the blast, and because the US government does not provide financial aid to non-profit religious organiza-



Symbols of joint effort between Christians and Jews: (above) The Heartland Chapel memorial, half of which was financed by the local Jewish community, the support of which is represented on a plaque (below left).



restaurants, and, along with volunteers (some of whom came from the Jewish community), they provided food and meals for the police and firemen involved in the rescue effort.

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# Previous rescue hero was haunted by fame

S LUMPED in front of the TV following last year's Oklahoma bombing, Robert O'Donnell watched the images flash by like his own life on rapid rewind.

Weary firefighters. Wounded babies. A harrowing race against the clock. The scene happened to be Oklahoma City, but it was all too familiar, a traumatic reminder of the starring role O'Donnell once played in another rescue that touched the American people's heart.

Seven years earlier, in what remains one of the top-rated news events in US television history, the slender paramedic wriggled down an underground shaft, freeing tiny Jessica McClure, who had been trapped for 58 fretful hours in a Texas well. Overnight, he went from small-town fireman to American hero. The White House saluted him. Hollywood besieged him.

"I've saved other people's lives before," he said. "But there'll never be nothing like this again."

For O'Donnell, there wasn't. When the media's restless eye moved on, his life appeared to freeze in time, family members and friends say, his identity forever cemented by the 15 minutes of fame that branded him as Baby Jessica's rescuer.

Long before the footage of Oklahoma City brought it all back, O'Donnell had come to see the limelight as a curse, not a blessing — a blinding glare that had undermined his marriage, crippled him with migraines and hastened his departure from the fire department amid allegations of prescription-drug abuse.

"When those rescuers are through, they're going to need lots of help," he told his mother as they washed search crews hunt for survivors in Oklahoma. "I don't mean for a couple of days or weeks, but for years."

On April 23, four days after the bombing, O'Donnell drove across the darkened prairie of his family's ranch and stuck a shotgun to his



This photo of O'Donnell and Baby Jessica appeared on the cover of 'Life' magazine five months after the incident.

head. He was 37 and the father of two boys, aged 10 and 14.

"I'm sorry to check out this way," he scrawled on a scrap of paper found in his pickup truck. "But life sucks."

THE DOWNWARD spiral that O'Donnell traveled is a cautionary tale, an anatomy of the pressures faced by all emergency workers, especially when their efforts capture the fancy of a market hungry for real-life heroes.

What seems clear, according to those close to O'Donnell, is that he suffered from some form of post-traumatic stress disorder, usually associated with combat veterans but increasingly common in times of disaster.

For a few extraordinary days in October 1987, the world's attention was riveted on the drama of an 18-month-old girl trapped more than six meters below ground in an old dank well.

She cried for her mother, then tried to calm herself by singing about

Winnie the Pooh. While crews frantically drilled a parallel shaft, CNN scored one of its highest ratings for a single 15-minute period.

The real story, however, would unfold underground, out of the spotlight, after two days of chipping through rock. O'Donnell, picked for his slim build and lanky arms, descended into the hole and squirmed — head first and on his back — through a narrow tunnel connecting him with the well. He looked up and saw Jessica's leg.

Using K-Y jelly and the rubber-tipped leg of a photographer's tripod, O'Donnell gently prodded and pulled, tugging Jessica by her blue baby pants. It took him more than an hour, inching her down the lubricated hole, like an obstetrician delivering a child. Finally she was out, and in the hands of another paramedic, who carried Jessica up to a chorus of cheers.

For a while, O'Donnell stayed underground, too overcome to face the crowd.

Later, the phone began to ring, even before he had made it home to kiss his wife or hug his kids. Reporters lined up outside his door. Cameras were thrust in his face. They all wanted him to retell the rescue, to relive every last feeling and thought.

At every opportunity, O'Donnell insisted that he had played just a small role in what was unmistakably a team effort. But more than any other rescuer, he also was willing to accommodate the media's quest to personalize the story.

He did Oprah Winfrey's show, then went to Washington DC, where he shook hands with George Bush, then the vice president. He was wined and dined by Hollywood power-brokers. His mother-in-law made him a scrapbook, embroidering on the cover: "Our Hero."

"We were all on that merry-go-round for a while," said a local police officer, who underwent counseling to deal with the pressures of both the rescue and media blitz. "But when we tried to get on with our lives, it was like Robert got stuck on auto-pilot."

He confided to friends that he had hopes of breaking into the entertainment industry — talk shows, acting, public relations — anything that would keep his star aloft.

His headaches were the breaking point. Even as a boy, as young as eight or nine, he was afflicted by throbbing migraines. They came and went, maybe once a month.

Once the media's interest in the rescue began to wane, his headaches returned — with a vengeance, knocking him on his back up to four times a week. He went to dozens of specialists, even volunteered for experimental remedies, but found no relief.

In the end, he became a walking medicine chest. He began toting a black bag full of painkillers — some of which, his then-wife Robbie said, "could sedate a horse."

Not long after his divorce in 1991, O'Donnell overloaded on sedatives and passed out at the fire station. The department's top brass checked him into a drug rehabilitation center, where he stayed for 30 days. A few months later, after O'Donnell had returned to work, a commander detected a slur in his speech and ordered another drug test.

O'Donnell refused, quitting rather than submit to what he saw as a scheme to have him ousted. His 11-year career over, he tried to find a job with another department, but was convinced he had been blacklisted. Some days, he would pick up his scrapbook — the one with "Our Hero" embroidered on the cover — and fling it, cursing it like a spurned lover.

What started as such a simple story — an innocent victim, a clear problem, a single solution — had become a tortured mess in O'Donnell's mind. Suicide was his final, impetuous response.

His elder son Casey helped carry the coffin to the grave, to the mournful sounds of "Amazing Grace." His other son, Chance, whose birthday was a few days later, wondered why his dad couldn't have waited at least until he turned 11.

(Los Angeles Times-Washington Post)

# Search for hero meets sad end

ROSS Harris knows all about the need to make contact, to reconnect with the emotions of Oklahoma's defining moment. A controller for an oil-drilling company, he spent five months trying to locate the anonymous physician with whom he teamed up in the chaotic minutes after last year's blast.

Among the first unofficial rescuers on the scene, together they managed to improvise with a crowbar and borrowed bandages, digging out one man from a pile of debris and stanching the blood that gushed from the shredded face of another.

But before Harris could learn the doctor's name, he was gone, off to extricate some of the tiniest bodies from the rubble.

"I saw a man at probably one of the finest moments of his life," the 46-year-old executive recalled.

"I wanted to be able to shake his hand and say: 'Thank you, sir ... I was there, I witnessed it, I know the difference that you made.'"

Week after week, Harris scanned the crowds at the prayer services and memorial ceremonies, sure that he would be able to spot his elusive partner. He roamed the corridors of a local hospital, asking nurses if they might recognize his description. As time went on, he thought of placing a classified ad.

Finally, last September, Harris picked up the *Daily Oklahoman* and felt his spirits soar. "That's him, that's him!" he shouted, pointing to the small black-and-white photo of Dr. H. Don Chumley, owner of an osteopathic clinic a short walk from the federal building. Then he read the headline. Chumley, a 47-year-old amateur pilot, died on September 24 when his single-engine Cessna slammed into a Texas cornfield. The cause of the crash is still under investigation.

"It put me in an emotional tizzy," Harris said. "The same sort of emotion I felt when we got down there that first day."

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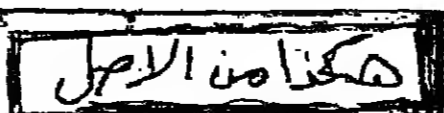
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Both Finance Minister Avraham Shohat and MK Dan Tichon, the opposition leader in the Finance Committee, have urged the Knesset to pass the bill, rather than the buck. Yet, too many MK's seem to beed the varied cries coming at them from the banking community, including the disingenuous argument that "the public had insufficient time to study the report."

MK's who choose to lend their ears to the bankers' varied complaints should bear in mind that the major banks are still state owned, and the people leading them are - at the end of the day - bureaucrats, whose business performance has often been unimpressive.

In fact, implementing the Brodet Report to the letter, coupled with the banks' slow but consistent privatization process, would ultimately make many local bankers face the fierce scrutiny of intensified competition - including that of currently absent foreign banks - in a specialized rather than diversified market.

Understandably, and much like the stereotypical bureaucrat, many Israeli bankers want none of these winds of change. But we the people, both as customers and as taxpayers, should welcome them, and our legislators should deliver them on schedule.

Report: Kibbutz debt interest calculation of no significance

GALIT LIPKIS BECK

THERE is no economic significance to claims regarding the banks' calculation of charges to the kibbutzim in light of the widespread write-offs and debt rescheduling, Dr. Daniel Sidon concludes in an opinion commissioned by Bank Hapoalim in reaction to the Procaccia Report.

Sidon, a senior economics lecturer at Tel Aviv University, is a specialist in macro-economics and growth procedures. His opinion is based on a comparison of the amount of resources that were available to the kibbutzim and the volume of kibbutz consumption and real investments. The report shows that kibbutzim consumption was much higher than income over the last three decades, especially in the 1980s, implying that the kibbutzim are directly responsible for their accumulated debt.

Commenting on the bank's interest calculation, Sidon said kibbutz debt to the banks would have been much higher than their remaining debt after the government's and banks' huge write-offs as part of the debt arrangement plan, irrespective of the method of interest calculation.

The implication is that even if we ignore the banks' method of calculation, by definition, we will avoid disagreements regarding the method of calculation, and we will find that the kibbutzim's remaining debts to the banks, assuming they are calculated in a reasonable way, is higher than the calculated balance after the banks' and government's write-offs.

"Taking into account the significant write-offs and debt rescheduling, there is no economically significant to the claims regarding the method of interest calculation," he further stated.

Formula posts profits of NIS 8.7m.

COMPANY RESULTS RACHEL NEIMAN

FORMULA Systems has announced 1995 net profits of NIS 8.7 million, up from NIS 118,000 in 1994. Annual revenues were NIS 198.47m., up from NIS 84.95m. Earnings per share were NIS 1.46, up from NIS 0.02 the previous year.

Quarterly revenues were NIS 77m., from NIS 29m. The Formula group includes Formula Technologies and Computers, SPSS Israel, Applicom, Sintec, Nikuv, the Argotek group, and Witec (formerly Decsys). The company expects 1996 profits to increase following the merger of Sintec and Applicom activities and Witec's IPO on Wall Street.

Keter Publishing reported a drop in 1995 net profits to NIS 3.87m., from NIS 25.13m. Annual revenues were NIS 32.3m., from NIS 34.19m. Earnings per share were NIS 0.44 from NIS 2.88. Property sales accounted for NIS 400,000 of net profits, returns on property tax were NIS 600,000; betterment tax was NIS 400,000.

Mul T Lock annual net profits for 1995 were NIS 10.6m., down from NIS 11.95m. in 1994. Revenues were NIS 262.99m., up from NIS 226.1m. Earnings per share were NIS 0.69, compared to NIS 0.67 the previous year. Results were influenced by investments in the company's new headquarters in Yavne, Kiryat Rav Bariat, totaling NIS 60m., of which the company's share was NIS 10m.

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4 major Scitex owners up stake in firm

Two minor shareholders file class action suit

GALIT LIPKIS BECK

THE four largest shareholders of Scitex have invested \$20.8 million over the last 10 days in the purchase of more than one million Scitex shares in response to high-tech entrepreneur Davidi Gilo's attempts to launch a hostile takeover of the Herzliya-based company.

The purchase has increased International Paper Company, Clal Electronic Industries, Discount Investment Corp., and PEC Israel Corporation's aggregate shares in Scitex to 38.6 percent from 36%.

International Paper and Clal acquired one-third of the shares, increasing their shares in Scitex to 13% and 12.75% respectively. Discount Investments and PEC each purchased one-sixth of the stock, increasing each company's share to 6.5%.

Discount Investments yesterday

said the purchase is an indication of the shareholders' confidence in the company.

On April 9 and 10, the shareholders purchased 225,000 Scitex ordinary shares for \$4.3m., equivalent to \$19.11 per share. From April 11 through April 16, they acquired an additional \$65,000 for \$16.5m., equivalent to \$19.08 per share.

In comparison, Scitex was trading at \$14 per share on March 29, the last day of trading before Gilo publicly announced his intentions to purchase Scitex for \$20 per share.

Meanwhile, Scitex has hired US investment bank Goldman Sachs to defend it against Gilo's hostile takeover bid.

A source close to Gilo said the entrepreneur is currently working

on the legal aspects of his takeover scheme.

Two of Scitex's minor shareholders reportedly filed a class action suit at a New York court early last week against Scitex's major shareholders, the company, and 13 of its directors.

The suit criticizes the defendants' decision to reject Gilo's offer and claims the refusal shows that they do not operate in the interest of all shareholders and with the intention of improving Scitex's business performance.

In reaction, sources close to Scitex said the class action suit is another one of Gilo's attempts to pressure the shareholders to negotiate the shares' sale.

According to the sources, the suit will have no influence on the company.

Geotek to set up telecom firm

RACHEL NEIMAN

GEOTEK Communications plans to create a telecommunications company out of its FHMA (frequency hopping multiple access) division. Geotek holds the exclusive license to commercialize FHMA technology.

The new company will develop, manufacture, market, and license advanced communications equipment, systems, and products based on Geotek's FHMA digital wireless technology. The company plans to sell FHMA-based infrastructure, terminals, and software applications to mobile radio network operators and estimates that FHMA-related equipment revenues will come to \$400 million annually.

The new company, which will have its headquarters in Montvale, New Jersey, will integrate Geotek's research and development, production and manufacturing, and mobile data subsidiaries.

"Geotek is uniquely poised to seize a significant portion of [the] growing mobile business equipment market," said Geotek CEO Yaron Eitan. "By development, exploring ways to enhance our existing system to work in other frequency bands, and pursuing partnerships we will bring our FHMA-based equipment to new markets."

Geotek is a Delaware corporation with offices in the US, Canada, and Israel. The Soros Group holds the company's majority share. Other interest holders include Evergreen Capital Markets and Vanguard Cellular Systems.

Orgler named new TASE chairman

Prof. Yair Orgler, chairman of the Ma'lot stock rating company, has been named the new chairman of the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange.

Orgler will take over from Haim Stoessel, who has completed two terms. Galit Lipkis Beck

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US dollar	NIS 3.1990	+0.60%
Sterling	NIS 4.8222	+0.70%
Mark	NIS 2.1144	+0.35%

**INFLATION MARKETS**

**New York market indexes**

DJ Industrials	8962.48	+0.23
DJ Transport	2220.81	-18.73
DJ US	3077.46	+0.28
DJ World	2371.49	+0.35
NYSE Index	439.46	+0.25
NYSE Transport	103.15	-5.34
NYSE Comp	346.41	+0.28
NYSE Indus	402.07	+0.25
NYSE Tech	593.07	+0.28

**Other stock market indexes**

FTSE 100	3820.7	+1.11
Hong Kong Hang Seng	10822.7	+0.77
Nikkei 225	14912.1	+0.77
DAX	3142.2	+0.12

**Israeli stocks in NY**

AMEX	197.00	+1.49%
NYSE	207.60	+1.41%

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Company	Price	% Change	Volume	Price	% Change	Volume
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**Stocks rise for 3rd straight day**

**TEL AVIV STOCK MARKET**

ROBERT DANIEL

197.10 +1.49% Two-Sided Index

207.60 +1.41% Maof Index

ISRAELI stocks jumped for a third day yesterday as investors expected the weaker shekel to lift export companies' profits and on hopes that the government will cut the budget deficit after the May 29 elections.

The Two-Sided Index rose 1.49 percent to 197.10 yesterday, while the Maof Index rose 1.41% to 207.6. Some NIS 71.1 million of shares were traded. Five issues rose for every one that fell.

The Two-Sided added 3.4% for the week while the Maof tacked on 3.8%, which was the biggest rise this year.

Of the reasons for the rise, the "most obvious" is the dollar strengthening against the shekel, said Eran Goren, head of institutional sales at Zameer Securities.

The shekel weakened to 3.195 to the dollar yesterday, from yesterday's 3.176. The exchange rate was 3.09 a month ago and 3.107 on April 1.

Companies like chemical manufacturers do well when the shekel weakens since their products become cheaper for overseas buyers, Goren said.

Four prominent chemicals companies rose yesterday: Israel Chemicals added 1.17%, Maktshim rose 1.26%; Agan advanced 2%; and Dead Sea Works climbed 2.45%.

The most active stock on the exchange was Teva, up 4.75% with NIS 6.3m. of shares traded.

The drug maker's shares traded in New York are up as much as 2% to 45%. Biocraft Laboratories, a US drug maker that Teva plans to buy, received two approvals to produce generic drugs from the US Food and Drug Administration.

Mofet, a holding company for technology and other investments, leaped 7.44%, after advances of 6.5% on Wednesday and 6.25% on Tuesday.

Goren cited speculation that the company might be planning to take public one of the companies in which it has an interest, which could increase the value of its investment. A spokesman for Mofet wasn't available for comment.

"As for the overall market, there's also more talk and more feeling about budget cuts after the elections," Goren said. "The more talk, the happier the market is."

(Bloomberg)

**Markets up on German rate cut**

**WORLD MARKET ROUNDUP**

LONDON (Reuters) - Leading shares closed higher, bolstered by news of a surprise half point cut in German interest rates and continuing bid speculation. Worries about the Dow's prospects after stronger than expected data helped pare blue chip gains by the close but second line stocks moved further into record ground. The FTSE 100 was 15.1 points higher at 3,820.7, just short of the 3,825.3 peak made on Tuesday.

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**INFLATION MARKETS**

**Dollar crosses (US)**

US/JP	109.88	+0.14
US/DM	1.92	+0.03
US/GBP	1.92	+0.03
US/CHF	1.48	+0.01
US/ITL	1.37	+0.01
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**Libor rates**

Dollar 3 months	5.25%	0.00
Dollar 6 months	5.50%	0.00
Dollar 12 months	6.00%	0.00
Sterling 3 months	5.25%	0.00
Sterling 6 months	5.50%	0.00
Sterling 12 months	6.00%	0.00
Yen 3 months	4.75%	0.00
Yen 6 months	5.00%	0.00
Yen 12 months	5.50%	0.00

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**US commodities**

Cocoa (May)	1135	+5
Cocoa (Jul)	1135	+5
Wheat (May)	605	+0.5
Wheat (Jul)	605	+0.5
Soybean (May)	1035	+0.5
Soybean (Jul)	1035	+0.5

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Wheat (May)	605	+0.5
Wheat (Jul)	605	+0.5
Soybean (May)	1035	+0.5
Soybean (Jul)	1035	+0.5

**Spot market metals (US)**

Copper	301.15	+0.1
Aluminum	5.20	+0.2

**New York metal futures**

Gold (Jun)	324.4	+0.8
Gold (Jul)	324.4	+0.8
Silver (Jun)	4.62	+0.1
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**Dow rises slightly**

**WALL STREET REPORT**

NEW YORK (Reuters) - Blue-chip stocks closed slightly higher yesterday after shaking off the weakness in oil company shares, and the broader market rose sharply on the strength of technology stocks.

Based on early and unofficial data, the Dow Jones industrial average ended 1.81 points higher at 5,551.74.

In the broader market, advancing issues led declines 4.3 on active volume of 413 million shares on the New York Stock Exchange. The Nasdaq composite index rose 15.43 points to 1,136.30.

**CURRENCY CROSS RATES**

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YEN	1.407183	0.816976	1.404201	7.736461
SFR	0.284948	0.540911	0.740098	4.772687
FFY	0.284948	0.540911	0.740098	4.772687



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advanced technology being used - missed the target and hit the compound instead.  
There had been a previous attempt by Hizbullah gunmen to fire Katyusha rockets from the Fijian battalion area on Monday. In that incident, Fijian soldiers spotted the gunmen and a patrol was sent to ask them to desist, out of fear of IDF retaliation.  
The Hizbollah gunmen opened fire at the Fijians, seriously wounding an officer. They later moved out of the area following the intervention of Lebanese army troops.  
In a similar incident, two Nepalese UNIFIL soldiers were lightly wounded in an hand grenade attack on Wednesday, when they tried to prevent Hizbullah gunmen from firing Katyusha rockets near their position not far from Kafir Katta.  
UNIFIL has also protested, however, about continued harassment of its humanitarian activities by IDF shelling and IAF activities. The UNIFIL commando lodged strong protests with the IDF after each of the incidents and was promised the matter would be rectified.  
UNIFIL officers said yesterday that despite the war raging in southern Leha'oo, "We thought we would be safe, but this has turned out to be not the case." Goksel said that despite the launching of Katyushas by Hizbullah, there is still no excuse for what happened subsequently.  
Goksel said UNIFIL had complained directly to OC Northern Command Maj.-Gen. Amirim Levine over what it termed "a breakdown in the liaison system."  
"We have protested that the liaison system did not work and that we want it to be replaced," he said.

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**THE DEFENSE ESTABLISHMENT INVITES THE PUBLIC TO CELEBRATE ISRAEL'S 48TH INDEPENDENCE DAY BY WATCHING IDF DEMONSTRATIONS AND VISITING ARMY CAMPS AND DEPOTS AND DEFENSE MINISTRY MUSEUMS**  
**IDF DEMONSTRATIONS**  
The demonstrations will include a countrywide fly-past, and coastal maneuvers. The main demonstration will take place with the assistance of the Tel Aviv Municipality, from 1-2 p.m. It will include: A fly-past of fighter aircraft, transport planes and helicopters, aerobatics, and mid-air refueling. There will also be a demonstration of free-fall parachuting, and parachuting into the sea. The flight paths of the fly-past aircraft will be over Ashkelon, Ashdod, Tel Aviv, Herzliya, Netanya, Haifa, Nahariya, Acre, northern Galilee settlements, Safed, Kiryat Shmona, Tiberias, Beit Shean, Jerusalem, Arad, Dimona, Yeroham, Mitzpe Ramon, Beersheba and Eilat. In addition, there will be an air display over the Valley of the Cross (Sacher Park) in Jerusalem between 12 noon and 1 p.m. It will include a demonstration of aerobatics and parachuting. The fleet will consist of missile boats, Dvora and Dabur craft, and naval commando boats. The fleet will proceed from Haifa, south along the Israel coast, to Rishon Lezion. At approximately 4:30 p.m., the fleet will maneuver off the Haifa coast. The fleet will then sail past Nahariya to Roeh Hanikra.  
**IDF DEPOTS**  
NORTHERN REGION:  
Kiryat Shmona, Upper Nazareth, Me'ale Yosef, Ma'alot, Kfar Julis, Karmiel, Hurfeish, Afula, Shlomi, Nahariya, Metulla, Lower Galilee Regional Council (Kaduri)  
CENTRAL REGION:  
Haifa, Givat Ze'ev, Ma'aleh Adumim, Ariel, Alfe Menashe, Mateh Yehuda Regional Council, Rosh Ha'ayin.  
SOUTHERN REGION:  
Gush Katif, Sderot, Yeroham, Netivot, Dimona, Kiryat Gat, Meitar, Arad, Mitzpe Ramon, Metsudat Yoav - Givati Museum  
♦ For the first time, a marathon of films produced by the Army Spokesman Unit will be screened at the Tel Aviv Cinematheque on the eve of Independence Day and during the day. The marathon will include the best films made since the Unit's inception, feature length films, informative films, documentaries, and a selection of public service ads from the 1950's to the present. Some are rare films which will be shown here for the first time.  
♦ At the memorial sites of Latrun and Ammunition Hill, there will be a display of weapons and tanks.  
**MINISTRY OF DEFENSE MUSEUMS**  
The museums will be open 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Entrance free.  
♦ **Batel Ha'osef Museum (History of the IDF)**  
35 Rehov Eilat, Tel Aviv-Jaffa, Tel. 03-5172913  
The exhibits of the museum, which is located at the old Jaffa Railway Station, present the history of the Israel Defense Forces, from the start of the struggle for statehood, and up to the present. On show, accompanied by explanatory texts, are original weapons - light hand weapons, armored cars, tanks, cannons, photographs, and newspaper cuttings. Also on show are gifts and mementos received by ministers of defense and chiefs of staff, collections of rare rifles, machine guns and pistols, and there are pavilions of various army corps. In the chronologically presented exhibits, emphasis has been placed on the personal and human stories behind the items shown.  
New at the Museum: "On the Way to Peace", documentary film that summarizes the military campaigns, from the War of Independence to the current peace process, and a special exhibit devoted to "peace processes" since 1949, and the signing of cease fire agreements up to 1994.  
Signal Corps - This year there will be an exhibition of electronic devices and computers in use by the Signal Corps in times of peace and national emergencies. They are the product of independent and joint developments in the area of world technology, and include means of command, control and communication at all levels of the army and represent the information revolution of the 2000's.  
♦ **The Etzai Museum**  
38 King George St., Tel Aviv, Tel. 03-5284001  
The activities of Irgun Tzvai Leumi, in the 17 years of its existence, the Etzai's response to Arab terrorism and attack, its contribution to ending the British Mandate and establishing the state. Films will be screened.  
♦ **Hahshomer Museum**  
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The story of the Bar Giora and Hahshomer organizations, their guarding, settlement, and weapons acquisition activities, and defense of the Yishuv. Audio-visual presentation.  
♦ **The Museum of Imprisoned Underground Fighters - Acre**  
The Citadel of Acre, Tel. 04-9918284  
Built by the Turks in the 16th century, the citadel served as one of the country's largest prisons during the British Mandate. Members of the Hagana, Etzai and Lehi were imprisoned here during the struggle for liberation. In the gallows room nine underground fighters were executed. Films will be screened.  
**IDF CAMPS**  
Open to the public on Independence Day, 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.  
Northern Command -  
Shimon Camp (Golani Junction)  
Barak Camp (Ramat Hageolan)  
Kurdant Camp (near Tzur Shalom Junction)  
Haifa Navy Base  
Central Command -  
Ashdod Navy Base  
Southern Command -  
Solef Ternan Camp  
Natan Camp  
Eilat Navy Base (eve of Independence Day only, 8:00 p.m. - midnight)  
Air Force Museum, Hatzorim 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Aerobatic display. (admission - NIS10, children - NISS, soldiers - free)  
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"With all the modern technology available and in use today, it is impossible to justify firing at a clearly marked UN headquarters compound that has been there for 18 years," said Goksel.  
He stressed that the IDF warning to the UN that it would return fire occurred after the artillery rounds were fired.  
Goksel said UN officers had immediately contacted that IDF and asked it to cease firing, because the shells were hitting the Fijian compound.  
The shooting stopped, but by then it was too late. All available UN personnel, emergency and rescue services were sent to the scene as soon as reports of the shelling were received. At one stage, contact with the Fijian headquarters was broken off by the shelling.  
Four Fijian snidiers were among the wounded. Three of them, including one who was seriously hurt, were treated at UNIFIL's hospital at its main headquarters in Nakoura. The three were later evacuated by helicopter to Haifa's Rambam Hospital.  
The shelling of the Fijian compound followed an incident earlier in the day in which IAF helicopter gunships hit an apartment building in Nabatiya after Hizbullah gunmen were seen running into it for shelter following another attack.  
The IAF then blasted the building, killing 11 people, including seven children, the Lebanese army said.  
Another 10 people were wounded in an early morning strike on a village three kilometers north of Nabatiya. After the attack, rescuers and Lebanese army soldiers worked by hand and with shovels and bulldozers to clear the rubble in their search for bodies or survivors.  
Artillery shells fell nearby, interrupting the rescue operation and sending people diving for cover.  
One building took a direct hit and collapsed. Another building 200 meters away was severely damaged.  
An IDF officer said one of the buildings was attacked after anti-aircraft missiles were fired from it at Israeli warplanes.  
Israel Radio said that Hizbullah fired new volleys of Katyushas into the North during the night and the morning, injuring a woman passenger in a car in Kiryat Shmona.  
Prime Minister Shimon Peres placed responsibility squarely on Hizbullah for the Nabatiya attack. "If there were civilians in this house, it was a crime. You cannot go and take over a civilian house and fire on our forces," Peres told reporters after meeting with Yasser Arafat at the Erez checkpoint. "We told all civilians to leave."  
San Immanuel contributed to this report.

  
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**The day we remember our dear ones**  
On Monday, April 22,  
sirens will sound throughout the country at 8 p.m.  
We call on all households to kindle a  
**memorial light for our fallen heroes**  
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sirens for a minute's silence will sound at 11 a.m.,  
at which time national memorial ceremonies will be held at military cemeteries, and services will take place in cemeteries where the fallen are buried.  
No persons bearing weapons, including soldiers, will be allowed into the cemeteries.  
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foul shots with the score tied at 61. Thompson - the consummate professional who last night won the battle of ex-NBA stars...

However, Leaf - who filled in admirably for Oded Katash when the young point guard injured his ankle...

Hapoel, with Gordon leading a break, seemed on the verge of scoring, but Gordon held up, retreated from the basket...



NOTHING TO IT - Newcastle's Robert Lee fires the ball into the Southampton goal during their game Wednesday.

Keane strikes late for United

LONDON (AP) - Roy Keane scored the winner against a 10-man Leeds team which had its goalkeeper sent off...

Sheffield Wednesday-Chelsea games were goal-less. At Villa Park, veteran Irish international defender Paul McGrath put Aston Villa ahead...

WEDNESDAY'S RESULTS: Premier League - Aston Villa 1, West Ham 1; Blackburn 3, Wimbledon 2; Manchester United 1, Leeds 0...

Table with 11 columns: Club, GP, W, D, L, GF, GA, Pts. Lists Premier League standings.

Pistons beat Pacers, move up in playoff race

DETROIT (Reuters) - Allan Houston scored 31 points as the Detroit Pistons defeated the Indiana Pacers 102-93 on Wednesday...

last eight games. Rick Smith scored 18 points and Mark Jackson and Ricky Pierce added 17 apiece for the Pacers...

Kings for the eighth and final Western Conference playoff spot. "It was a tough game," Warriors coach Rick Adelman said...

Juventus advances despite loss

NANTES, France (Reuters) - Juventus reached its first European Cup final since the 1985 Heysel disaster on Wednesday despite a 3-2 defeat by determined French champions Nantes...

Though Nantes fought bravely and turned the affair into a highly entertaining game, it was a spectacle more than a real contest from then on.

Neither showed particularly good form last week when Haifa beat weak Beitar Tel Aviv 2-0 and Maccabi failed to overcome Hapoel in the Tel Aviv derby...

The real "match of the season" takes place this weekend, as leaders Maccabi Tel Aviv take on Maccabi Haifa.

Wings, Caps get comeback wins

NEW YORK (AP) - The Detroit Red Wings and Washington Capitals won their NHL playoff openers with surprising comebacks.

The Red Wings, who didn't win a single game during the regular season when they trailed after two periods, scored three goals in a 2:21 span of the third period to beat the Winnipeg Jets 4-1 Wednesday night.

SHANI Kidmi and Anat Fabrikant, yachtswomen in the 470 Olympic class, sealed their spots in the Olympic team this week when they finished fourth in an international competition in Murcia, Spain...

Three more Israelis heading to Atlanta

Israel's judo saga in the British Open Championships ended rather ignominiously last weekend.

Local scene Heather Chait (ITF) youth tennis tournament in Jerusalem yesterday, featuring Andy Ram 4-6, 6-0, 6-2 in the final...

Big two clash in Haifa

Tel Aviv will hope to all but dump Haifa's chances of a realistic shot at the National League title...

end. A subsequent protest by Jaffa to the IFA was rejected and the 3-1 result was allowed to stand.

Brewers sweep Yankees

MILWAUKEE (AP) - Jose Valentin matched his career high with four RBIs, and the Milwaukee Brewers chased David Cone early in an 8-4 victory over the New York Yankees on Wednesday...

Kevin Seitzer hit a sacrifice fly, and after John Jaha beat out an infield single, Valentin drove in two runs with a double that skipped past first baseman Tino Martinez...

Chucky Carr, starting for the first time since aggravating his left hamstring strain on April 11, led off the first with a single, and took third on Fernando Vina's single.

Botham fails in bid to become England selector

LONDON (Reuters) - Former national captain Ian Botham has failed in his bid to become an England selector.

Botham was one of eight candidates to fill two vacancies on the England committee, headed by chairman of selectors Ray Illingworth.

Scoreboard

NATIONAL LEAGUE East Division table with columns for Team, W, L, Pct., GB. Includes teams like St. Louis, Chicago, Pittsburgh, Houston.

NHL PLAYOFFS First Round (Best-of-7) Eastern Conference table with columns for Team, W, L, Pct., GB. Includes teams like Washington, Philadelphia, Montreal.

WEDNESDAY'S ALL RESULTS: Milwaukee 8, New York 4; Minnesota 5, Cleveland 8; Chicago 3, Kansas City 1; Texas 12, Oakland 1; Baltimore 6, Boston 5 (12); California 5, Toronto 1; Seattle 8, Detroit 3.

European Cup Winners' Cup - Rapid Vienna beat Feyenoord of the Netherlands 3-0 yesterday to reach the final. Scorers: Carsten Jancker (2nd, 32nd minutes), Christian Stumpf (34th).

# PA policeman fires in air to disperse anti-Khaled demo

A PALESTINIAN policeman fired into the air yesterday to disperse a group of National Religious Party activists demonstrating on the outskirts of Jericho against the return of Palestinian hijacker Leila Khaled.

Avi Lerner, one of about 20 demonstrators, said the group was standing just beyond an IDF outpost near the Allenby Bridge terminal, in an area under Palestinian Authority jurisdiction, and protesting against Khaled and against the government for letting her return.

"A Palestinian policeman came, yelled something that we did not understand, and then fired into the air," Lerner said, adding that the group quickly scurried to the other side of the roadblock, where IDF soldiers stood with their weapons ready.

One eyewitness said the guard, whom he described as "infuriated," shouted for everyone to go home, and then suddenly fired in the air.

Khaled, who hijacked two passenger planes in 1969 and 1970, later crossed the bridge, kissed the ground, and declared, unre-

HERB KEINON and news agencies



Hijacker Leila Khaled waves to admirers as she arrives in Jericho yesterday for next week's Palestinian National Congress meeting. (Brian Hender)

pentant. "I'm not a terrorist; I'm a freedom fighter," she said.

She was greeted by dozens of cheering supporters in Jericho.

Entry permits were also approved for other Palestine National Council members, including Khaled's boss, George

Hahash, head of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine - who has announced he will not be coming - and Mohammed (Abul) Abbas, mastermind of the 1985 Achille Lauro hijacking, whose men killed American passenger Leon Klinghoffer.

Palestinian Authority President Arafat has promised Prime Minister Shimon Peres that the PNC would amend the Palestinian Covenant by May 7.

Khaled said she would vote against changing the covenant because Palestinians didn't have a state yet.

"I will vote against the changing of the covenant because my people still need to get their rights," she told The Associated Press.

In all, Israel has approved the return of 445 exiled Palestinians so they can participate in the PNC meeting, said Shlomo Dror, a spokesman for Maj.-Gen. Oren Shator, government coordinator in the territories.

Dror said Abul Abbas would not be Israel's responsibility. "Arafat will have to explain to the Americans or the Italians why he is not handing him over."

Peres's spokeswoman Aliza Goren said the US is aware of Israel's commitment to let all PNC members return. "Our actions to secure the amendment of the Palestinian Covenant are coordinated with the US," she said.

# Hijacking victim remembers the fear

MARGOT DUDKEVITCH

ONE Jerusalemite who unwillingly got to know Leila Khaled when she tried to hijack his plane 26 years ago was not surprised by the government's decision to allow her to attend the Palestinian National Council meeting in Gaza next week.

"It appears to be perfectly consistent with the government's policy to allow terrorists to roam free," said Dr. Joel Fredman, 38, in a telephone interview from his dental clinic.

Fredman recalled his plane trip back to the US with his parents, brother, and sister after celebrating his bar mitzvah at the Wall.

"We boarded an El Al plane to New York," he said. "Suddenly the plane nose-dived over the ocean and people started to scream. Loud clapping noises [gunshots] were heard and minutes later the plane leveled off."

The plane was forced to make an emergency landing at Heathrow Airport in London, but "not before the pilot dumped excess fuel into the sea," Fredman said.

He remembered the incredible fear he felt and how, after landing, the plane was immediately surrounded by ambulances, police cars, television crews, and



Dr. Joel Fredman. (Isaac Harel)

reporters. "We were led into the airport and it was only then we fully understood that there had been an attempted hijacking," he said.

Fredman, who sat with his family toward the back of the plane, said that the terrorists had tried to reach the cockpit. Khaled's accomplice was shot dead by a security guard and, according to Fredman, Khaled was pounced upon by passengers and pinned to the floor until the plane landed.

Khaled was initially taken to Ealing Police station and then released in a deal made between Arab terrorists and the British government.

**WEATHER**

Forecast: Partly cloudy. Shabbat: Partly cloudy. Fine in temperatures.

**AROUND THE WORLD**

City	Temp	Wind	Humidity
Jerusalem	15-22	10-20	60-70
Haifa	12-21	10-20	60-70
Tel Aviv	11-21	10-20	60-70
Beer Sheva	9-22	10-20	60-70
Dead Sea	14-27	10-20	60-70
London	8-16	10-20	60-70
New York	6-14	10-20	60-70
Paris	7-15	10-20	60-70
Madrid	9-17	10-20	60-70
Rome	10-18	10-20	60-70
Tokyo	12-20	10-20	60-70
Beijing	14-22	10-20	60-70
Moscow	16-24	10-20	60-70
Delhi	18-26	10-20	60-70
Sydney	10-18	10-20	60-70
Auckland	8-16	10-20	60-70

# Netanyahu receives death threats by phone

SARAH HONIG

LIKUD chairman Binyamin Netanyahu's has received dozens of death threats in recent weeks, leading the General Security Service and police to increase their protection of him.

During the recent Mimouna celebrations, GSS agents had to convince Netanyahu to wear a bulletproof vest.

The threats first came in on the Telemesser call-in phone numbers the Likud had made public. Among the messages recorded were a number which said "Bibi, we will kill you," "Bibi, you will never live to become prime minister," and "Netanyahu will die."

What gave rise to the GSS concern, however, was that the phoned-in threats were later backed up with similar written threats.

Netanyahu told Likud activists yesterday "not to yield to provocation and not to allow yourselves to be goaded into any conflict or any violence. All Likud activists must behave only according to the campaign team's instructions and must take no initiatives." He was speaking at a

meeting of the Likud campaign steering committee.

The head of the campaign organization committee, Reuven Rivlin, charged at the meeting that "Labor is again resorting to libel in an attempt to besmirch an entire camp and associate us all with [Yitzhak] Rabin's assassination."

Rivlin vehemently denied the claims of Yoav Doga, an aide to Housing Minister Binyamin Ben-Eliezer, that he had been set upon by Likud activists early Wednesday morning.

MK Ariel Sharon did not show up for the meeting, saying he had previous commitments. Some ascribed his absence to tension between him and Netanyahu, who, according to Likud sources, did not like Sharon's remarks about the need to expand the security zone in Lebanon to the Litani River. However, both Netanyahu and Sharon denied these reports. MK Ovadia Eli, the Likud's

liaison to the religious sector, denied that the Likud is campaigning in the haredi community to win Knesset votes.

"We are campaigning in that sector only on Netanyahu's behalf and only in the prime ministerial contest," he said.

Eli was reacting to threats by the United Torah Judaism MK Avraham Ravitz that "should the Likud go after haredi votes in the Knesset race, we will instruct our people not to vote for Netanyahu for prime minister."

Likud campaign chief Yitzhak Mordechai reported that the party will officially kick off its campaign at the Jerusalem International Convention Center on April 24 and that it will close it in Jerusalem's Sacher Park on May 27. "To underscore our commitment to Jerusalem and the priority we give to keeping it fully united under unequivocal Israeli sovereignty,"

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